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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Drag The Roads.

"When the smiles of spring appear
Drag the roads;
When the summer time is here
Drag the roads;
In the winter cold and drear
Every season of the year
Drag the roads.
"When you've nothing else to do;
Drag the roads;
If but for an hour or two
Drag the roads;
It will keep them good as new
With a purpose firm and true
Fall in line, it's up to you
Drag the roads."

Japan has notified China that she cannot recognize the monarchy for the present.

Illinois Democratic Committee endorsed President Wilson and called a State Convention for April 17.

Three Chattanooga men who went duck hunting a week ago never returned. Their empty boat was found.

The war is not hurting the business of the Western Union Telegraph Co., which shows an increase in business last year of \$4,846,986.

Ben Summers, colored, died last week at Milburn, Ballard county, aged 111 years. He recalled being water boy at the building of the Louisville canal.

The reports of the Methodist Episcopal Conferences, South, with one exception, show an increase of 66,418 members during 1915 and a total membership of 2,109,505. The missing conference is in Mexico.

Attorney General Logan advises the discontinuance of the "public office" account in the Auditor's office that has grown to \$50,000 a year, including all sorts of expenses that ought to go to the regular channels.

Twenty-five Ford peace delegates from Norway, Sweden and Denmark now at the Hague are anxious to return home across Germany, but Berlin refuses. One of them, the Mayor of Stockholm, is about to lose his office by not being able to return.

Gen. Carranza has renewed his assurances that the murderers of the 19 Americans at Chihuahua will be captured and punished. He has issued a decree permitting any citizen of Mexico to execute any of the bandits without formality. He says the outrage was committed by Villa's men.

The President's Mexican policy is being openly opposed in the Senate by the Republican Senators, to the extent of threatening to hold up the confirmation of Fletcher's nomination for ambassador, until a full report of his plan of dealing with the Carranza government is explained.

A third of the city of Bergen, a thriving Norwegian seaport with a population of 90,000, was destroyed Saturday night by fire. Two lives are reported to have been lost and 2,000 persons are homeless. The property damage is estimated at \$15,000,000. The conflagration is said to be the worst ever recorded in Norway.

Excavators in ancient Carthage have uncovered a marble sarcophagus containing the body of a woman, richly adorned with jewels. The ornaments included an emerald and ruby necklace, clasps of uncut precious stones, massive gold pins, buckles and rings and other articles of value which were sewn on the woman's clothing.

The American members of the Hague Ford peace party have selected delegates to attend a conference of neutrals to be held later at The Hague, according to a Central News dispatch from The Netherlands capital. The delegates, it is stated, include Mr. Ford, William Jennings Bryan and Miss Jane Addams, none of whom are in Europe. Alternate delegates were also selected.

MEET AGAIN TOMORROW

To Name The Bond Commissioners and Arrange Details.

FISCAL COURT ALSO MEETS

Everything Smoothed Out in The Meeting Held Saturday.

Substantial headway was made Saturday when the Good Roads Association held an adjourned session at the Court House to perfect plans for the \$400,000 bond issue. A series of conferences between those holding diverging opinions had smoothed the way for united action and everybody seemed to be of one mind.

It was made plain to the uninformed that all of the roads would be built and reconstructed under the state aid plan, the state to pay one-half of the interest and principal of the \$400,000 voted. Moreover the state will furnish engineers to see that every detail of the construction work is properly done. The government also will furnish an engineer to act with the state's engineer on the job. Mr. Whittaker is the engineer now in this county looking after the Princeton road.

It was also agreed that the money raised by the bond issue will be handled by a commission of four citizens, bi-partisan and well distributed. A nominating committee was appointed to select these commissioners, composed of Jas. Breathitt, Sr., O. H. Anderson, W. T. Fowler, Ira D. Smith, J. E. Byars and C. H. Bush. The same committee was directed to prepare the court orders and records to be adopted by the fiscal court and to draft the formal call for the election Mar. 18.

A campaign committee was likewise named consisting of R. E. Cooper, C. R. Clark, L. J. Harris and W. T. Fowler. Several points were discussed in connection with the bond issue and while a good many questions were asked, all seemed thoroughly satisfied with the plans outlined.

Speeches were made by W. T. Fowler, R. E. Cooper, M. C. Forbes, A. H. Eckles, Jno. W. Garnett, Howard Brame, Ira D. Smith and others.

The meeting adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at which time the committees are expected to report.

The Fiscal Court will also meet in the afternoon.

The petition was lodged yesterday and all details will be carried out for holding the election March 18.

MRS. TUNKS PASSES AWAY

Victim of Kidney Trouble Had Been in Declining Health For Some Time.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Tunks died Saturday night at her home, corner 13th and Coleman streets. She was 69 years old and had been in declining health for some time, suffering from a kidney affection.

The deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church and a universally loved christian lady. Mrs. Tunks' husband, the late Henry Tunks, preceded her to the grave about a year ago.

Her funeral services were held yesterday morning and the interment took place in Riverside cemetery.

EXPENSIVE TO DIE

Beginning January 1, the cost of space for a single grave in Cave Hill cemetery, Louisville, was increased from \$25 to \$31. The additional \$6 is for the expense of digging the grave. Previous to 1915, space for a single grave sold for \$18.

The Bahama islands may become extensive producers of rubber.

ANOTHER BLIZZARD

Swoops Down on Us Before The Old One Was Gone.

THIS TIME WITH SNOW

Mercury Hovered Close Around The Zero Point Yesterday Morning.

Another blizzard came close on the heels of the thaw and snow Saturday and Sunday and yesterday morning the mercury was down to the lowest point this winter, close to zero. Three inches of snow fell Sunday, which showed no signs of melting yesterday. The best the weather clerk has to offer for to-day is "fair and not so cold."

The zero weather has caused a good deal of suffering in the city and many people are made to feel the discomforts of a rigorous winter.

Plumbing is out of repair in many homes as a result of the freeze and travel is everywhere interfered with.

The very cold weather will handicap the tobacco market again this week, as it cannot be worked to any advantage in such extreme weather.

BASKET BALL SEASON OPENS

With First Game of The Season at Madisonville Jan. 22.

Manager Tandy, of the High School basketball team, has announced the following schedule for the season: Jan. 22—Madisonville...there—boys Jan. 28—Henderson...there—boys Feb. 4—Paducah...there—boys Feb. 11—Madisonville...here—b. & g. Feb. 18—Paducah...there—boys Feb. 25—Open.

March 3—Owensboro...there—boys March 11—Owensboro...there—boys March 17—Henderson...here—b. & g.

The opening game will be played this week at Madisonville. Coach Malary has his teams well in hand and the following boys will be tried out: Breathitt, Roberts, Moseley, Brumfield, Torian, Brown, Harris, White, Miller, Pate, Boardman and Summers.

GOOD YEAR

In The School Work of Christian County.

Last year was a record breaker for the rural schools of Christian county. Not only was great progress made in the schools themselves, but a spirit of interest and co-operation between county superintendent, board of education, teachers, trustees, pupils and patrons was cemented which did much, and which promises even greater things for the future. Eleven new buildings were erected at a cost of \$10,967. Seventeen old buildings were repaired or improved, this cost \$1,841. The interest of the patrons in the schools in these districts was substantially attested by their contribution of \$2,625 in cash and of \$1,084 in labor, hauling, material; etc., making total contributions of \$3,709.

MONGOLIAN GROOM.

Eugene Sue, twenty-four years old, of Chicago, a Chinaman, and Miss Laura Devine, twenty-one, a white girl of Henderson county, were granted a marriage license Saturday at Henderson.

Ice Spell.

At the time the weather moderated Friday the ice on ponds was about 1 1/2 inches thick, hardly thick enough to harvest. On top of this three inches of snow fell Sunday and ice is again forming underneath. By sweeping off the snow the ice ought to be thick enough to put up to-day.

INVESTIGATION OF EXPLOSION

Edison People Say It Was Not Caused by Their Storage Battery.

SECRET MEETING OF BOARD

Several of Injured Men in Serious Condition and Not Expected to Recover.

New York, Jan. 17.—A statement indicating that the new Edison storage battery was not in any way responsible for the explosion on the submarine E-2 at the New York navy yard Saturday was made by Miller Reese Hutchinson, chief engineer for Thomas A. Edison, and a member of the naval consulting board.

The preliminary inquiry into the explosion was held in secret by the board of inquiry appointed by Rear Admiral Usher, commandant of the navy yard. Neither Admiral Usher nor any of those present would discuss what occurred at the inquiry. Persons on board or near the E-2 at the time of the explosion were questioned at length, however.

Rear Admiral Usher made the following formal statement:

"The board of inquiry met yesterday and went aboard the submarine where they conducted a thorough investigation. The investigation was not finished and therefore the board will again meet. No conclusion was reached."

Secretary of the Navy Daniels, who is expected to name a board of inquiry to conduct a formal investigation, left for Washington without making any statement regarding the explosion. At the navy yard inquirers were turned away with the statement that Rear Admiral Usher and the others conducting the inquiry had "nothing to say."

At the hospitals where the injured were taken it was said several of them were in a serious condition and one is expected to die.

Nothing approximating an official theory as to the cause of the explosion which resulted in the death of four workmen and the injury of ten others was obtainable.

The only light shed upon the disaster contained in the statement of Mr. Hutchinson, who absolved from blame the Edison battery designed to minimize the danger to submarine crews resulting from accumulations of gas. The E-2 was the only boat thus far equipped with these batteries, the tests of which were reported to be thoroughly satisfactory.

SUDDEN DEATH OF TOM DAY

Stricken With Apoplexy Saturday and Lived only a Few Minutes.

Thos. W. Day, a helper in the office of Wooldridge's storage house, died very suddenly Saturday night at the home of Mr. B. C. Foster, on Ninth street. Mr. Day boarded at Mr. A. R. Parker's and was on his way home about 8:30 when he was taken very ill and was leaning against a wall when a negro man passed and he asked him to call Mr. Foster. This was done and Mr. Foster assisted him into his house in a collapsed condition. Mr. Day told him to call his physician, which Mr. Foster did, but the sufferer only breathed once or twice after the doctor arrived.

He was 51 years old and came here from Daysville, Ky. Until about 18 months ago he was employed by Tom Pitts. He has a brother at Daysville and a son 14 years old, who is at school here. His wife died about two years ago.

The body was taken to an undertaker's establishment Saturday night and his brother arrived Sunday and took it to Daysville for burial.

His death was due to apoplexy.

POLYGAMY SCOFFED AT

Famous English Militant Suffragist Here For Aid For Serbs.

DETAINED AT ELLIS ISLAND

Had Been Detained Previously Because of Serving Prison Term.

New York, Jan. 17.—After being detained at Ellis Island, because she had served prison sentences in England, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was permitted Sunday to enter the United States, being released on parole. In an interview given the former militant suffragette, who is here on a mission to raise funds for relief of the Serbians, pronounced as preposterous, the idea that England would resort to polygamy at the conclusion of the war.

CREAMERY PROPOSITION

Submitted To The Dairy Cattle Association at Last Meeting.

The Dairy Cattle Association of Christian county held a meeting Friday with President R. C. Gary in the chair.

The most important matter up was an application from J. E. Crider, of Caldwell county, for certain guarantees to induce him to open a creamery in Hopkinsville. Mr. Crider has a similar enterprise in Caldwell county and has the capital and experience to make the business a success.

He wants 250 cows contracted for as a start and is satisfied that business will develop rapidly. There is an ever increasing demand for dairy and creamery products and the entire output of the proposed new creamery could be sold in advance. Another conference on the subject will be held Jan. 21st.

A DOUBLE ELOPEMENT

Two Young Couples Hie Them To Clarksville and are Married.

Thomas O. Wood, parcel post carrier for the Hopkinsville postoffice, and Miss Hattie C. Wright and Chas. K. Wright, a young farmer, and Miss Geraldine Vaughn accompanied by George Harris, went to Clarksville Saturday afternoon and were married by Rev. E. J. Barnett at the parsonage of the Christian church. They were wedded under different ceremonies, Mr. Wood and Miss Wright being first united. They lost no time in returning to Hopkinsville.

Mr. Wood's bride is a daughter of W. H. Wright, of Haleyville, Ala., but has made her home here for a year or two. She is a cousin of Charlie Wright, the other bridegroom, who lives with his mother, Mrs. Anna Wright, on the Princeton pike. Miss Vaughn, who is now Mrs. Wright, is a daughter of R. L. Vaughn.

Both couples returned the same evening to their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood will board with Mrs. Sanders Johnson on East 18th street. Mr. Wood is a son of G. H. Wood.

There was no objection to the marriages. The novelty of an elopement appealed to the young people and their plans were quickly made and promptly executed.

Their friend Mr. Harris went along with them to see that all details were successfully carried out.

The Spanish steamship Bayo struck a mine near La Rochelle and all but one of the crew of 26 were lost.

TURKS ON DEFENSIVE

British and Russian Forces Hammering Away at Ottoman Troops.

GERMANS FIGHTING IN PERSIA

Montenegro Continues Center of Engagements—Quiet on Other Fronts.

London, Jan. 17.—The Turks are being attacked by both Russians and British. In the Caucasus the Russians, greatly reinforced, are on the offensive along a front of almost a hundred miles, while in Mesopotamia the British have forced the retirement of the Ottoman troops along both banks of the Tigris river to the south of Kut-El-Amara, and still are closely pressing them on the east and the north.

Constantinople reports that near Karadach the Russians were defeated with heavy casualties, while Petrograd asserts that at some unnamed place a large number of Turkish officers and men, war materials and provisions, eight guns and eight machine guns were captured by the Russians.

Successes for the Russians in the fighting in Persia are also claimed by Petrograd. In its official report Petrograd makes the first announcement that the Germans are fighting with the Turks in this region.

The Turks in retreat along the Tigris are those who have held back General Ayimer's column, proceeding up the river to the relief of the British in Kut-El-Amara.

On the other fronts, except in Montenegro, little fighting is in progress. The offensive of the Russians in East Galicia and along the Bessarabian front has again died down. In France and Belgium operations consist mainly of artillery duels and mining and counter-mining work. The big British guns have thrown shells into Lille, but Berlin says only slight damage was done.

In Montenegro the Austro-Hungarians continue their pursuit of the Montenegrins, capturing from them positions and men. Podgoritz, to the east of Cetinje, and Nisic, are the latest places reported evacuated.

The Montenegrin government is now at Scutari, Albania, according to an unofficial report from Berlin. Advances from Rome say that the Italian cabinet has begun plans for giving adequate assistance to Montenegro and Serbia, but the nature of this aid and the manner in which it will be given is not stated.

HOW TO STOP LEAKS

Will Be Subject of Farmers' Talk by Hon. O. M. Hughes.

District Agent Morgan O. Hughes, of farm demonstration work, will make a talk to farmers at the H. B. M. A. at 1:30 p. m. to-day. He will present a lot of figures compiled by the government to show why farmers do not make money. He discovers and points out the leaks in farm management. Sometimes one unprofitable department loses money faster than other departments can make it. While it is a talk for farmers, all business men and others are urged to be present.

GIVEN TEN YEARS.

The jury in the case of Cliff Hayes, nineteen years old, of Auburn, Ky., charged with a statutory offense against Pearl Gregory, aged 13, of Auburn, after being out thirty minutes returned a verdict of guilty in Circuit Court, fixing his sentence at ten years and one day in the penitentiary. Two cases of the other young men under similar charges, Cliff Hayes, Roy Johnson, Joe Cline and Elmer Eaton were continued to the April term.—Times.